



### CALIFORNIA STATE PERSONNEL BOARD MEETING

801 Capitol Mall Sacramento, California

<u>Public Session Location</u> – 801 Capitol Mall Sacramento, California, Room 150 Teleconference – 320 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street Los Angeles, California, Suite 620

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**SUMMARY MINUTES – JUNE 6, 2006** 

#### SUMMARY MINUTES<sup>1</sup>

# **JUNE 6, 2006**

# PUBLIC SESSION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

#### 1. ROLL CALL

William Elkins, President Sean Harrigan, Vice President Maeley Tom, Member Anne Sheehan, Member Patricia Clarey, Member

# 2. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER – Floyd D. Shimomura

- A. The SPB is closing the current year (2005-06), \$18.5 million budget in the black. During this year we also completed the realignment of our positions with their appropriate funding sources. In other words, only general fund dollars support general fund positions, and only reimbursable dollars support reimbursable positions. This was accomplished by eliminating the policy unit and reassigning the staff to reimbursable work. This places next year's budget on a secure footing.
- B. The SPB's budget will likely increase next year to \$21.7 million. Most of this increase will be due to \$3.2 million secured to replace our current examination and certification system with a new system. Also, we recently learned that the conference committee agreed to restore \$640,000 in joint funding for DPA and SPB for classification reform in the IT area.
- C. We are already beginning the budget process for the year after next by reviewing concept BCP's on the staff level.
- D. The SPB is continuing to develop the college internship program with Cal EPA.

# 3. REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION (DPA) - DPA Representatives

Mike Navarro, Director of DPA, and Bill Avritt, Chief Deputy Director, announced July 1, 2006, as their retirement date from DPA. Mike Navarro and Bill Avritt made their final appearance before the Board and SPB Staff to express their gratitude for the extended courtesies and successful working relationship. Daryll Tsujihara gave brief reports on recent activities of the Department of Personnel Administration.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Minutes for the Board can be obtained at the following internet address: http://www.spb.ca.gov/calendar.htm

# 4. REPORT ON THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PERS)

# - Maeley Tom

Member Maeley Tom gave a brief report on recent activities of the Public Employees Retirement System.

#### 5. REPORT OF THE CHIEF COUNSEL – Elise Rose

# Litigation:

<u>Brar vs. SPB</u> - Superior Court of San Luis Obispo upheld SPB's decision affirming dismissal of Brar. Brar brought partially nude photos of women to work, showed S&M photos on his computer to a co-worker, and was charged with sexual harassment.

<u>Martinez vs. SPB</u> - Correctional officer was dismissed for failing a drug test. Court found the Board's decision was supported by substantial evidence and the penalty was not an abuse of discretion.

<u>CDCR vs. SPB (Henning)</u> - Scheduled for a hearing on June 8, 2006, on writ of mandate taken after the Board issued a decision on remand in this case involving issues of reasonable accommodation.

The Copley Press, Inc. vs. Superior Court of the County of San Diego – California Supreme Court will hear an oral argument on June 7, 2006, in San Diego. The issue is the accommodation between the public records act and the protections afforded to peace officer personnel records.

#### Other:

SPB legal is finalizing work on our Public Records Act Policy. The Policy is posted on our website as well as in various divisions. Division Chiefs or designees will be receiving training this month.

SPB legal is working on revising the discrimination complaint and reasonable accommodation regulations.

Attended excellent training on how to conduct an EEO investigation.

#### 6. NEW BUSINESS

#### NONE PRESENTED

# 7. REPORT ON LEGISLATION – Sherry Evans

AB 2241 (Torrico), the SPB sponsored bill is being heard in the Senate Public Employees Retirement Committee.

# 8. INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING – EXAMINATION AND CERTIFICATION SYSTEM - Karen Coffee, State Personnel Board

Karen Coffee, Chief, Merit Employment and Technical Resources Division, gave a brief report on the State Personnel Board's Examination and Certification System and what it does to facilitate departmental examinations and hiring.

# **CLOSED SESSION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD**

# 9. EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS, DISCIPLINARY MATTERS, AND OTHER APPEALS

Deliberations to consider matter submitted at prior hearing. [Government Code Sections 11126(d), 18653.]

# 10. DELIBERATION ON ADVERSE ACTIONS, DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS, AND OTHER PROPOSED DECISIONS SUBMITTED BY ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES

Deliberations on matters submitted at prior hearing; on proposed, rejected, remanded, and submitted decisions; petitions for rehearing; and other matters related to cases heard by administrative law judges of the State Personnel Board or by the Board itself. [Government Code Sections 11126 (d), and 18653 (2).] (See Action Taken on Pages 9 - 15)

#### 11. PENDING LITIGATION

Conference with legal counsel to confer with and receive advice regarding pending litigation when discussion in open session would be prejudicial. [Government Code sections 11126(e)(1) and 18653.]

Connerly v. State Personnel Board, California Supreme Court, Case No. S125502.

International Union of Operating Engineers v. State Personnel Board, Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) Case No. SA-CE-1295-S.

#### 12. RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE LEGISLATURE

Deliberations on recommendations to the legislature. [Government Code section 18653.]

#### AB 2069 (Maze)

This bill would prohibit a public agency from hiring an applicant who does not possess the required degree from an accredited institution. In addition, an applicant must provide his or her diploma from an accredited institution to the hiring agency prior to appointment.

POSITION: NEUTRAL WITH AMENDMENTS

#### 13. RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNOR

Deliberations on recommendations to the Governor. [Government Code section 18653.]

NO ACTION

### PUBLIC SESSION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

14. DISCUSSION OF COMING BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE OF JUNE 21, 2006, IN SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

NONE

# **BOARD ACTIONS:**

- 15. ADOPTION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD SUMMARY MINUTES
  NONE
- 16. EVIDENTIARY CASES

**ACTION: See Case Listings on Pages 9–17** 

- 17. RESOLUTION EXTENDING TIME UNDER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 18671.1 EXTENSION (See Minutes on Pages 24–25)
- 18. NON-EVIDENTIARY CASES

**ACTION: See Case Listings on Pages 17–21** 

19. NON-HEARING CALENDAR

The following proposals were made to the State Personnel Board by either the Board staff or Department of Personnel Administration staff.

On June 6, 2006, the following proposals were presented to the Board by Karen Coffee, Chief, Merit Employment and Technical Resources Division, California State Personnel Board.

**ACTION: ADOPTED** 

VOTED: Elkins, Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

A. BOARD ITEMS PRESENTED BY STATE PERSONNEL BOARD OR DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION TO ESTABLISH, REVISE OR ABOLISH CLASSIFICATIONS, ALTERNATE RANGE CRITERIA, ETC.

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT, CORRECTIONAL FACILITY
In accordance with federal court mandates the California Department of
Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) proposes the establishment of a
new safety classification of Certified Nursing Assistant, Correctional
Facility.

SENIOR INVESTMENT OFFICER/PORTFOLIO MANAGER, PERS SERIES SPECIFICATIONS (ASSET ALLOCATION/RISK MANAGEMENT), FIXED INCOME, GLOBAL EQUITIES, AND REAL ESTATE.

The California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) proposes the following revisions: modify the title of Investment Manager, PERS (Asset Allocation/Risk Management) to Portfolio Manager, PERS (Asset Allocation/Risk Management); add a promotional pattern for Investment Officer III within all of the Portfolio Manager, PERS specialty classes; establish the level of Senior Portfolio Manager, PERS (Asset Allocation/Risk Management) within the Senior Investment Officer/Portfolio Manager, PERS (Asset Allocation/Risk Management) series specification; and revisions to the Minimum Qualifications of the Senior Investment Officer, PERS (Asset Allocation/Risk Management) to reflect the changes listed above.

B. ABOLISHMENT OF CLASSES THAT HAVE HAD NO INCUMBENTS FOR MORE THAN TWO YEARS. DEPARTMENTS THAT UTILIZE THE CLASS AS WELL AS THE APPROPRIATE UNION HAVE NO OBJECTION TO THE ABOLISHMENT OF THESE CLASSES.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION AND STATE PERSONNEL BOARD propose to abolish the following unused classifications, which have been vacant for more than twenty-four months. Departments that utilize the class as well as the appropriate union have no objection to the abolishment of these classes. When classes are proposed to be abolished which are part of a class series, and other classes within the series will continue to be used, the class specification is included in the board item.

Title	Class Code
*Mineral and Land Audit Program Manager	4553
*Director, California Specialized Training Institute	2883
*Transportation Manager, Department of General Services	4534

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates classes which are part of a class series. Only the classifications listed above will be abolished.

# 20. STAFF CALENDAR ITEMS FOR BOARD INFORMATION NONE

# 21. CAREER EXECUTIVE ASSIGNMENT (CEA) CATEGORY ACTIVITY

This section of the Minutes serves to inform interested individuals and departments of proposed and approved CEA position actions.

# A. REQUESTS TO ESTABLISH NEW OR REVISE EXISTING CEA POSITIONS CURRENTLY UNDER CONSIDERATION

# DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CALIFORNIA POLLUTION CONTROL FINANCING AUTHORITY

The California Pollution Control Financing Authority (CPCFA) proposes to allocate the above position to the CEA category. The Deputy Executive Director, CPCFA manages all the on-going and special functions of the CA Pollution Control Financing Authority (CPCFA), CA Industrial Development Financing Authority (CAEATFA), and the CA Urban Waterfront Area Restoration Financing Authority (CUWARFA), assuming a critical role in the Authorities' overall responsibility of providing low cost financial assistance to businesses for economic expansion and environmental improvement for California.

### DEPUTY DIRECTOR, SECURITY MANAGEMENT DIVISION

The Department of Technology Services (DTS) proposes to allocate the above position to the CEA category. The Deputy Director, Security Management Division develops, maintains and enforces both statewide and department-wide policies and processes that provide for the integrity and security of both the DTS technical infrastructure and the automated information produced or used by the DTS and its 550 customer agencies statewide.

#### CHIEF, FIELD EXAMINATION DIVISION

The Department of Insurance proposes to re-allocate the above position from the classification of Division Chief, Department of Insurance, CEA to the Broad Band CEA category. The Chief, Field Examinations Division is responsible for formulating policies, planning, organizing, and directing the activities of the Field Examination Division.

# CHIEF, FINANCIAL ANALYSIS DIVISION

The Department of Insurance proposes to re-allocate the above position from the classification of Division Chief, Department of Insurance, CEA to the Broad Band CEA category. The Chief, Financial Analysis Division is responsible for formulating policies, planning, organizing, and directing the activities of the Financial Analysis Division.

# B. EXECUTIVE OFFICER DECISIONS REGARDING REQUESTS TO ESTABLISH NEW OR REVISE EXISTING CEA POSITIONS

### ASSISTANT CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR

The Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control's proposal to allocate the above position to the CEA category has been disapproved effective March 25, 2006.

#### CHIEF, DIVISION OF PLAN SURVEYS

The Department of Managed Health Care's proposal to allocate the above position to the CEA category has been disapproved effective April 25, 2006.

#### **CHIEF OF COMMUNICATIONS**

The Department of Developmental Services has withdrawn their proposal to allocate the above position to the CEA category effective May 3, 2006.

## **DIRECTOR, OPERATIONS DIVISION**

The Department of Child Support Services has withdrawn their proposal to allocate the above position to the CEA category effective May 12, 2006.

**ACTION: NOTED** 

# 22. EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS, DISCIPLINARY MATTERS, & OTHER APPEALS

Deliberations to consider matter submitted at prior hearing. [Government Code sections 11126(d), 18653.]

#### 23. WRITTEN STAFF REPORT FOR BOARD INFORMATION

# REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE – Whistleblower Retaliation Complaints

Government Code section 19683(F) requires the State Personnel Board to provide the Governor and the Legislature with an Annual Report regarding complaints filed and legal actions taken pursuant to SPB's role in the California Whistleblower Protection Act. This report covers the 2004 Calendar year. SPB staff is requesting the Board approve this report for submission to the Governor and Legislature.

**ACTION: APPROVED** 

#### 24. PRESENTATION OF EMERGENCY ITEMS AS NECESSARY

NONE

#### 25. BOARD ACTIONS ON SUBMITTED ITEMS

**ACTION: See Minutes on Pages 22–23** 

# WHAT FOLLOWS IS A RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN ON AGENDA ITEMS 16 – 18 AS NOTED.

#### 16. EVIDENTIARY CASES

The Board Administrative Law Judges conduct evidentiary hearings in appeals that include, but are not limited to, adverse actions, medical terminations, demotions, discrimination, reasonable accommodations, and whistleblower complaints.

# A. BOARD CASES SUBMITTED

These items were taken under submission by the State Personnel Board at a prior meeting.

On June 6, 2006, the Board took the following action on the cases listed as presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

# (1) ALEJANDRO GILL, CASE NO. 05-0054RA

Appeal for dismissal

Classification: Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Proposed decision rejected January 6, 2006. Oral argument heard May 2, 2006, Los Angeles. Case ready for decision by FULL Board.

#### NO ACTION

# (2) JUDY JOHNSON, CASE NO. 05-1367A

Appeal from automatic resignation

**Classification:** Motor Vehicle Field Representative

**Department:** Department of Motor Vehicles

Proposed decision rejected February 21, 2006.

Oral argument (written record) submitted May 2, 2006,

Los Angeles.

Case ready for decision by FULL Board.

#### NO ACTION

# (3) RICK OCHOA, CASE NO. 04-2373BA

Appeal for determination of back salary, benefits and interest

Classification: Youth Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of the Youth Authority

Proposed decision rejected January 24, 2006. Oral argument heard April 4, 2006, Sacramento. Case ready for decision by FULL Board.

#### **NO ACTION**

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# (4) EDUARDO PEREZ, CASE NO. 05-0763A

Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for six months

**Classification:** Parole Agent I (Adult Parole)

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Proposed decision rejected November 1, 2005.

Oral argument (written record) submitted May 2, 2006,

Los Angeles.

Case ready for decision by FULL Board.

#### NO ACTION

# (5) ERNEST PITTMAN, CASE NO. 05-1591A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Motor Vehicle Field Representative

**Department:** Department of Motor Vehicles

Proposed decision rejected December 6, 2005.

Oral argument heard March 8, 2006, Sacramento.

Case ready for decision by FULL Board.

**ACTION:** The Board issued a decision sustaining the dismissal.

Members Elkins and Harrigan dissented.

# (6) RICHARD QUADRELLI, CASE NO. 05-1039A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Caltrans Maintenance Supervisor

**Department:** Department of Transportation

Proposed decision rejected December 6, 2005.

Oral argument heard March 8, 2006, Sacramento.

Case ready for decision by FULL Board.

**ACTION:** The Board issued a decision accepting the appeal for filing and remanding to Chief ALJ for assignment for hearing on the merits.

### B. CASES PENDING

# **ORAL ARGUMENTS**

NONE

# C. <u>CHIEF COUNSEL RESOLUTIONS</u>

NONE

# **COURT REMANDS**

**NONE** 

### **STIPULATIONS**

NONE

# D. ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S (ALJ) PROPOSED DECISIONS PROPOSED DECISIONS

These were ALJ proposed decisions submitted to the Board for the first time.

On June 6, 2006, the Board took the following action on the cases listed as presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

# (1) **JOE ALONZO, CASE NO. 04-3033**

Appeal from ten percent reduction in salary for twelve consecutive months

Classification: Registered Nurse

**Department:** Department of Developmental Services **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

modifying the reduction in salary.

### (2) KATHLEEN ANDERSON, CASE NO. 05-3504

Appeal from non-punitive termination

**Classification:** Psychologist-Clinical, Correctional Facility **Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision sustaining the non-punitive termination.

### (3) ASHFAQ A. CHAUDHRY, CASE NO. 05-4285

Appeal from official reprimand

Classification: Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision sustaining the official reprimand.

### (4) JIM V. CORRIERE, CASE NO. 05-3211

Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for 18 months

Classification: Teacher, CF

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision sustaining the reduction in salary.

# (5) JACK FRIEDMAN, M.D., CASE NO. 05-2596 JOHN S. COLOCOUSIS, M.D., CASE NO. 05-2592 & 06-0016

Appeals from formal reprimand and formal reprimand and five work days suspension

**Classification:** Physician and Surgeon, Correctional Facility **Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board rejected the the ALJ's Proposed Decision revoking the formal reprimands and the suspension.

# (6) GAYLAN KOOP, CASE NO. 05-1222

Appeal from dismissal

**Classification:** Commercial Vehicle Inspection Specialist I **Department:** Department of California Highway Patrol **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision sustaining the dismissal.

# (7) HELEN MICKIEWICZ, CASE NO. 04-2682

Appeal from demotion

Classification: Assistant Chief Public Utilities Counsel

**Department:** Public Utilities Commission

**ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

modifying the demotion.

### (8) BLANCA MURGIA, CASE NO. 05-0069

Appeal from administrative reassignment Classification: Youth Correctional Officer Department: Department of the Youth Authority

**ACTION:** The Board rejected the ALJ's Proposed Decision and remanded the matter to a different ALJ for a hearing on the merits.

### (9) CARL PAGAN, CASE NO. 04-2838

Appeal from demotion

**Classification:** Caltrans Maintenance Area Superintendent

**Department:** Department of Transportation

**ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

modifying the demotion.

### (10) SHAWN E. PERKINS, CASE NO. 05-3105

Appeal from twenty work days suspension

Classification: Water Resources Technician II

Department: Department of Water Resources

**ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

modifying the suspension.

# (11) KATHRYN SANCHEZ, CASE NO. 05-2760

Appeal from demotion

Classification: Staff Services Manager I Department: State Controller's Office

**ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the demotion.

### (12) RUPINDER SINGH, CASE NO. 05-2465

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Toll Collector

**Department:** Department of Transportation

**ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the dismissal.

# (13) WAYLUN SOON, CASE NO. 05-2172

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Programmer I

**Department:** Department of Health Services

**ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the dismissal.

### (14) MARTHA STYER, CASE NO. 05-1622

Appeal from demotion

**Classification:** Supervising Transportation Electrical

Engineer, Caltrans

**Department:** Department of Transportation

**ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the demotion.

#### (15) EVAN ZINICH, CASE NO. 05-3704

Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for 24 months

**Classification:** Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

revoking the reduction in salary.

# PROPOSED DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER SUBMISSION AT PRIOR MEETING

NONE

# PROPOSED DECISIONS AFTER BOARD REMAND

# (16) MOSS DAVID POSNER, CASE NO. 04-2919ER

Appeal from discrimination and retaliation complaint

**Classification:** Physician and Surgeon

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision denying the religious/ethnic background discrimination complaint, denying the gender discrimination complaint and granting the retaliation complaint.

# PROPOSED DECISIONS AFTER SPB ARBITRATION

**NONE** 

# E. <u>PETITIONS FOR REHEARING</u>

# **ALJ PROPOSED DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD**

The Board voted to grant or deny a petition for rehearing filed by one or both parties, regarding a case already decided by the Board.

On June 6, 2006, the Board took the following action on the cases listed as presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

# (1) STEVEN BARRIOS, CASE NO. 05-3507P JAVIER PEREDA, CASE NO. 05-3599P

Appeals from dismissal

**Classification:** Psychiatric Technician and Psychiatric

**Technician Assistant** 

**Department:** Department of Developmental Services

**ACTION:** Petition for rehearing denied.

### (2) DAREN L. FLOYD, CASE NO. 04-3003P

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Motor Vehicle Field Representative

**Department:** Department of Motor Vehicles **ACTION:** Petition for rehearing denied.

### (3) ZHI-XUE XU, CASE NO. 05-1038P

Appeal from rejection during probationary period

**Classification:** Information Technology Consultant (Expert)

**Department:** California State University, San Jose

**ACTION:** Petition for rehearing denied.

# WHISTLEBLOWER NOTICE OF FINDINGS

#### **NONE**

# F. PENDING BOARD REVIEW

These cases were pending preparation of transcripts, briefs, or the setting of oral argument before the Board.

# (1) TROY ALLEN, CASE NO. 05-2150A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Caltrans Equipment Operator II

Department: Department of Transportation

Proposed decision rejected February 7, 2006.

Pending oral argument May 2-3, 2006, Los Angeles. Pending oral argument June 6-7, 2006, Sacramento.

Oral argument continued.

NO ACTION

# (2) DANNY BROWN, CASE NO. 05-2209A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Proposed decision rejected April 4, 2006.

Pending oral argument August 8-9, 2006, Los Angeles.

NO ACTION

# (3) PRECILLA CALAUNAN, CASE NO. 05-1737RPA

Appeal from dismissal

**Classification:** Psychiatric Technician Assistant **Department:** Department of Developmental Services

Petition for Rehearing granted March 8, 2006.

Pending oral argument July 11-12, 2006, Sacramento.

NO ACTION

# (4) PAUL CHATHAM, CASE NO. 05-1287A SARAH WIRTH, CASE NO. 05-1599A

Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for six months and two work days suspension

Classification: Correctional Lieutenant and Correctional Sergeant

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Proposed decision rejected May 2, 2006.

Pending oral argument July 11-12, 2006, Sacramento.

NO ACTION

# (5) GAIL GARCIA, CASE NO. 05-3030A

Appeal from constructive demotion Classification: Office Technician

**Department:** Department of Developmental Services

Proposed decision rejected May 2, 2006. Pending oral argument August 8-9, 2006, Los Angeles.

NO ACTION

# (6) RAYMOND GURULE, CASE NO. 05-1351A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Youth Correctional Officer

Department: Department of the Youth Authority

Proposed decision rejected April 4, 2006.
Pending oral argument August 8-9, 2006, Los Angeles.
Pending oral argument September 5, 2006, Sacramento. **NO ACTION** 

### (7) LEE KENDRICK, CASE NO. 04-1620PA

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Transportation Surveyor Department: Department of Transportation

Petition for Rehearing granted April 4, 2006. Pending oral argument August 8-9, 2006, Los Angeles. **NO ACTION** 

### (8) SHANE MEE, CASE NO. 04-2474PAA

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Caltrans Equipment Operator II

Department: Department of Transportation

**ACTION:** Petition for Rehearing granted May 2, 2006. Resolved without a further hearing

### (9) JONATHAN SILVERMAN, CASE NO. 05-0078A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Workers' Compensation Payroll Auditor Department: State Compensation Insurance Fund

Proposed decision rejected May 23, 2006.

Pending transcript.

**NO ACTION** 

# (10) RAYMOND SLEDGE, CASE NO. 04-2809PA

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Youth Correctional Counselor **Department:** Department of the Youth Authority

Petition for Rehearing granted March 8, 2006. Pending oral argument August 8-9, 2006, Los Angeles. **NO ACTION** 

#### (11) JAMES STEED, CASE NO. 05-0207PA

Appeal from constructive medical suspension

Classification: Facility Captain

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Petition for Rehearing granted March 8, 2006. Pending oral argument August 8-9, 2006, Los Angeles.

NO ACTION

#### 18. NON-EVIDENTIARY CASES

# A. WITHHOLD APPEALS

Cases heard by a Staff Hearing Officer, a managerial staff member of the State Personnel Board or investigated by Appeals Division staff. The Board was presented recommendations by a Staff Hearing Officer or Appeals Division staff for final decision on each appeal.

# WITHHOLD FROM CERTIFICATION CASES HEARD BY A STAFF HEARING OFFICER

#### **NONE**

# WITHHOLD FROM CERTIFICATION CASES NOT HEARD BY A STAFF HEARING OFFICER

On June 6, 2006, the Board adopted as indicated below the following items presented by Laura M. Aguilera, Assistant Executive Officer, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

# (1) JOSE CASTILLO, CASE NO. 05-1487

Classification: Youth Correctional Counselor

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; omitted pertinent information, furnished inaccurate information and a negative driving record.

# (2) PAULINA KEHOE, CASE NO. 05-0508

Classification: Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability, omitted pertinent information, arrest/conviction

record and negative law enforcement contacts.

**ACTION: DENIED** 

# (3) RODOLPHO MARTIN, CASE NO. 05-1729

Classification: Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Issue: Suitability; illegal drug activity.

**ACTION: DENIED** 

# (4) ORIN MCGOWAN, CASE NO. 05-4291

Classification: Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; appellant is prohibited from carrying a firearm.

**ACTION: DENIED** 

# (5) BRADY MERINO, CASE NO. 05-0659

**Classification:** Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; failure to register for Military Selective Service.

**ACTION: DENIED** 

# (6) OMAR MORENO, CASE NO. 05-0657

Classification: Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

**Issue:** Suitability; negative employment record.

**ACTION: DENIED** 

### (7) DONTE MORRISON, CASE NO. 05-0417

Classification: Motor Vehicle Field Representative

**Department:** Department of Motor Vehicles **Issue:** Suitability: arrest/conviction record.

**ACTION: DENIED** 

# (8) **JAIME RUSSELL, CASE NO. 05-1682**

**Classification:** Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; omitted pertinent information, furnished inaccurate information and a negative employment record.

# (9) O'RYAN SCOTT, CASE NO. 05-1684

Classification: Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; omitted pertinent information, furnished

inaccurate information, negative employment record and negative law enforcement contacts and failure to meet legal obligations.

**ACTION: DENIED** 

## (10) ROBERTO SOSA, CASE NO. 05-1164

Classification: Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

**Issue:** Suitability; negative driving record.

**ACTION: DENIED** 

# (11) TONY STEINGRABER, CASE NO. 05-0275

Classification: Commercial Vehicle Inspector Specialist I (CVIS I)

**Department:** California Highway Patrol

**Issue:** Suitability; marijuana use within two years of application.

**ACTION: DENIED** 

### (12) **REBECCA STITT, CASE NO. 05-0597**

Classification: Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

**Issue:** Suitability; negative employment record.

**ACTION: DENIED** 

### (13) KIMBERLY STOUT, CASE NO. 05-1917

Classification: Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

**Issue:** Suitability; illegal drug activity.

**ACTION: DENIED** 

### (14) MOISES TAFOYA, CASE NO. 05-1690

Classification: Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

**Issue:** Suitability; negative driving record...

**ACTION: DENIED** 

#### (15) CRYSTAL THOMAS, CASE NO. 05-1683

Classification: CHP, Public Safety Dispatcher II

**Department:** California Highway Patrol

**Issue:** Suitability; omitted pertinent information.

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# (16) DEON WALKER, CASE NO. 05-1149

Classification: Correctional Officer

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; furnished inaccurate information, omitted

pertinent information and fraud.

**ACTION: DENIED** 

# B. <u>MEDICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENING APPEALS</u>

**NONE** 

# C. EXAMINATION APPEALS MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS MERIT ISSUE COMPLAINTS

NONE

# D. RULE 211 APPEALS RULE 212 OUT OF CLASS APPEALS VOIDED APPOINTMENT APPEALS

NONE

# E. <u>REQUEST TO FILE CHARGES CASES</u>

Investigated by Appeals Division staff. The Board was presented recommendations by Appeals Division staff for final decision on each request.

On June 6, 2006, the Board adopted as indicated below the following items presented by Laura M. Aguilera, Assistant Executive Officer, California State Personnel Board.

### (1) DEIDRE GREEN, CASE NO. 05-0683

Classification: Member of the Public

**Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** The charging party request charges are filed against the charged party for violations of various subsections of Government

Code section 19572. **ACTION: DENIED** 

# (2) LISA JOHNSON, CASE NO. 05-0756

Classification: Member of the Public

**Department:** Employment Development Department, California Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board, Department of Real Estate and Department of Industrial Relations

**Issue:** The charging party requests that charges be filed against the charged parties for violations of unnamed subsections of

Government Code, section 19572.

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(3) BRIAN PARKS, CASE NO. 05-1504, 05-2365, 05-2480, 05-2481, 05-2632, 05-2633, 05-3328, 05-3329, 05-4394

Classification: Civilly Committed Patient at Patton State Hospital

**Department:** Department of Mental Health

**Issue:** The charging party requests to file charges against

employee of the Patton State Hospital.

**ACTION: DENIED** 

# PETITIONS FOR REHEARING CASES

NONE

# SUBMITTED

# 1. TEACHER STATE HOSPITAL (SEVERELY), ETC.

Departments of Mental Health and Developmental Services. (Hearing held December 3, 2002.)

**NO ACTION** 

# 2. VOCATIONAL INSTRUCTOR (SAFETY)(VARIOUS SPECIALTIES)

Departments of Mental Health and Developmental Services. (Hearing held December 3, 2002.)

**NO ACTION** 

# 3. TELEVISION SPECIALIST (SAFETY)

The Department of Corrections proposes to establish the new classification Television Specialist (Safety) by using the existing Television Specialist class specification and adding "Safety" as a parenthetical to recognize the public aspect of their job, additional language will be added to the Typical Tasks section of the class specification and a Special Physical Characteristics section will be added. (Presented to Board March 4, 2003.)

**NO ACTION** 

#### 4. HEARING – Personal Services Contract #04-03

Appeal of the California State Employees Association from the Executive Officer's April 15, 2004, Approval of Master Contracts between the California Department of Corrections and Staffing Solutions, CliniStaff, Inc., Staff USA, Inc., CareerStaff Unlimited, MSI International, Inc., Access Medical Staffing & Service, Drug Consultants, Infinity Quality Services Corporation, Licensed Medical Staffing, Inc., Morgan Management Services, Inc., Asereth Medical Services, and PrideStaff dba Rx Relief. (Hearing held August 12, 2004.)

**NO ACTION** 

#### 5. HEARING

Proposed new and revised State Personnel Board Regulations effecting equal opportunity, discrimination complaints and reasonable accommodation policies and procedures. (Hearing held July 7, 2004.)

**NO ACTION** 

### 7. ERNEST PITTMAN, CASE NO. 05-1591A

Appeal from dismissal. Motor Vehicle Field Representative. Department of Motor Vehicles. (Oral argument held March 8, 2006.)

**ACTION:** The Board issued a decision sustaining the dismissal. Members Elkins and Harrigan dissented.

### 8. RICHARD QUADRELLI, CASE NO. 05-1039A

Appeal from dismissal. Caltrans Maintenance Supervisor. Department of Transportation. (Oral argument held March 8, 2006.)

**ACTION:** The Board issued a decision accepting the appeal for filing and remanding to Chief ALJ for assignment for hearing on the merits.

### 9. RICK OCHOA, CASE NO. 04-2373B

Appeal for determination of back salary, benefits and interest. Youth Correctional Officer. Department of the Youth Authority. (Oral argument held April 4, 2006.) **NO ACTION** 

### 10. ALEJANDRO GILL, CASE NO. 05-0054RA

Appeal from dismissal. Correctional Officer. Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. (Oral argument held May 2, 2006.) **NO ACTION** 

### 11. JUDY JOHNSON, CASE NO. 05-1367A

Appeal from automatic resignation. Motor Vehicle Field Representative. Department of Motor Vehicles. (Oral argument, Written Record submitted May 2, 2006.)

NO ACTION

# 12. EDUARDO PEREZ, CASE NO. 05-0763A

Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for six months. Parole Agent I (Adult Parole). Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. (Oral argument, Written Record submitted May 2, 2006.)

NO ACTION

#### NOTICE OF GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 18671.1 RESOLUTION

Since Government Code section 18671.1 requires that cases pending before State

Personnel Board Administrative Law Judges (ALJ's) be completed within six months or no
later than 90 days after submission of a case, whichever is first, absent the publication of
substantial reasons for needing an additional 45 days, the Board hereby publishes its
substantial reasons for the need for the 45-day extension for some of the cases now
pending before it for decision.

An additional 45 days may be required in cases that require multiple days of hearings, that have been delayed by unusual circumstances, or that involve any delay generated by either party (including, but not limited to, submission of written briefs, requests for settlement conferences, continuances, discovery disputes, pre-hearing motions). In such cases, six months may be inadequate for the ALJ to hear the entire case, prepare a proposed decision containing the detailed factual and legal analysis required by law, and for the State Personnel Board to review the decision and adopt, modify or reject the proposed decision within the time limitations of the statute.

Therefore, at its next meeting, the Board will issue the attached resolution extending the time limitation by 45 days for all cases that meet the above criteria, and that have been before the Board for less than six months as of the date of the Board meeting.

#### **GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 18671.1 RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, Section 18671.1 provides that, absent waiver by the appellant, the time period in which the Board must render its decision on a petition pending before it shall not exceed six months from the date the petition was filed or 90 days from the date of submission; and

WHEREAS, Section 18671.1 also provides for an extension of the time limitations by 45 additional days if the Board publishes substantial reasons for the need for the extension in its calendar prior to the conclusion of the six-month period; and

WHEREAS, the Agenda for the instant Board meeting included an item titled "Notice of Government Code section 18671.1 Resolution" which sets forth substantial reasons for utilizing that 45-day extension to extend the time to decide particular cases pending before the Board;

**WHEREAS**, there are currently pending before the Board cases that have required multiple days of hearing and/or that have been delayed by unusual circumstances or by acts or omissions of the parties themselves;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the time limitations set forth in Government Code section 18671.1 are hereby extended an additional 45 days for all cases that have required multiple days of hearing or that have been delayed by acts or omissions of the parties or by unusual circumstances and that have been pending before the Board for less than six months as of the date this resolution is adopted.

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I hereby certify that the State Personnel Board made and adopted the preceding resolution at its meeting held on July 6, 2006.

VOTE: Elkins, Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey - Aye

Floyd Shimomura

**Executive Officer** 

California State Personnel Board